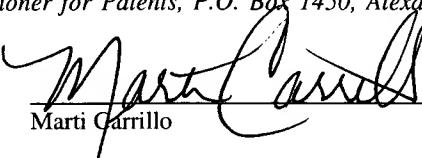


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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Application Number	:	09/619,553	Confirmation No. 2058
Filing Date	:	July 19, 2000	
Inventor(s)	:	Henry Ptasinski, et al.	
Title	:	METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR VERIFYING CONNECTIVITY AMONG NODES IN A COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK	
Group Art Unit	:	2152	
Examiner Name	:	Ramsey Refai	
Docket No.	:	39630/B600	Date: January 25, 2006

MAIL TO: Mail Stop RCE

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

This application is **not** an application of the kind specified in 37 CFR § 1.114(e).

1. THE STATUS OF THE APPLICATION IS AS FOLLOWS:

a. Pending (no review proceedings active)

(1) An Action was mailed by the Office on October 25, 2005, as to which no appeal under 37 CFR § 1.191 has been filed and

a response under 37 CFR § 1.116 was mailed on January 3, 2006
 via Express Mail
 with certificate of mailing under 37 CFR § 1.8

that Action was a Final Rejection, the finality of which is to be withdrawn by this Request

an appeal or civil action under 35 U.S.C. 141,145 or 146 has been terminated

(2) Allowed: the Notice of Allowance was mailed by the Office on
 the Issue Fee has not been paid
 the Issue Fee has been paid **and** a petition under 37 CFR § 1.313 was granted on

b. Pending (with review proceeding active)

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An appeal under 37 CFR § 1.191 has been filed. **Applicant(s) hereby withdraw that appeal and request reopening of the prosecution of the application.**

2. SUBMISSION(S) REQUIRED (check at least one)

a. Previously submitted

Consider the amendments/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on January 3, 2006
 Consider the arguments in the Appeal or Reply Brief previously filed on
 Other:

b. Enclosed

Amendment/Reply
 Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 Information Disclosure Statement
 Documents under 37 CFR § 1.48
 Petition for Extension of Time
 Other:

The Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned promptly following receipt and initial review of the application in light of the Submissions(s) for the conduct of, or the scheduling of, a telephone interview in the application.

Please direct all correspondence to **CUSTOMER NUMBER 23363**. Direct telephone calls to 626/795-9900, **CHRISTIE, PARKER & HALE, LLP, P.O. Box 7068, Pasadena, CA 91109-7068**.

Respectfully submitted,

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
FEE CALCULATION SHEET

Application No. 09/619,553

PART I — BASIC FEE

BASIC FEE	Small Entity \$395.00	Large Entity \$790.00	\$790
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PART II — ADDITIONAL CLAIMS (compared to application before RCE)

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra Claims	Small Entity Rate	Large Entity Rate	FEE
Total Claims	44	*44		x \$25.00	x \$50.00	
Independent Claims	4	**4		x \$100.00	x \$200.00	
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim				\$180.00	\$360.00	
TOTAL CLAIMS FEE						\$
List Independent Claims: 1, 12, 43, 54						
* IF THE "HIGHEST NUMBER OF TOTAL CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR" IS LESS THAN 20, WRITE "20" IN THIS SPACE.						
** IF THE HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID OR IS 3 OR LESS, WRITE "3" IN THIS SPACE.						

1. FEES (The RCE fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.)
 - a. Amount (total from Fee Calculation Sheet)
A check for \$790 is enclosed.
 - b. X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required for this transaction to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. A duplicate copy hereof is enclosed.

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